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Dear Mary Day:

I am disgusted at what Mr. Hertz has done. When I gave him the letters for his book I told him that I wanted to make serial use of them. He told me that his book would not appear before Spring so that there would be no objection. He said nothing to me about serial publication of any of his material. It looks as if he was putting it all into The Times. Do you understand that the Tracy letters are to appear? He has not my permission for that, but I suppose there is nothing that can be done about it. At all events, you are quite right from an editorial point of view in not wanting to go into the Herald Tribune with one article when The Times is making a splurge with a half dozen or more.

What annoys me excessively is that you should have wasted all this time. Possibly we can work out some scheme for another February by which you can get a share out of it. Anything that I can do I shall be glad to. If it is not Tracy, and there is really a story in him, it might be that I could scare up some fresh Lincoln matter, which I should be only too glad to turn over to you. I am so sorry my dear, but I do not see what I could do. I never thought of calling up Mr. Hertz after what he wrote me.

Affectionately yours

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